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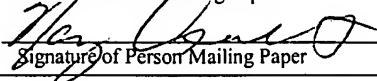
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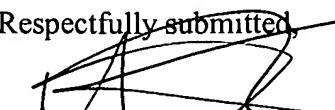
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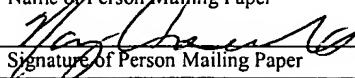
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98**

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant submits this Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98 in the above-identified application for consideration by the Patent Office.

A listing of the cited documents is also enclosed, as well as, for the Examiner's convenience, copies of the documents in the list.

Pursuant to CFR § 1.97(e)(1), each item contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or International application. Because this statement is being filed within three months of receipt of the Search Report, no fee is believed to be due. A copy of the Search Report is included and cited on the enclosed PTO-1449.

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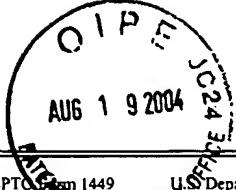
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Applicant respectfully requests that the documents submitted herein be considered and made of record in this application.

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<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>								
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6.	Pellegrini, P., et al., "Simultaneous measurement of soluble carcinoembryonic antigen and the tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinase TIMP1 serum levels for use as markers of pre-invasive to invasive colorectal cancer," <i>Cancer Immunol. Immunother.</i> 49:388-394 (2000)							
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